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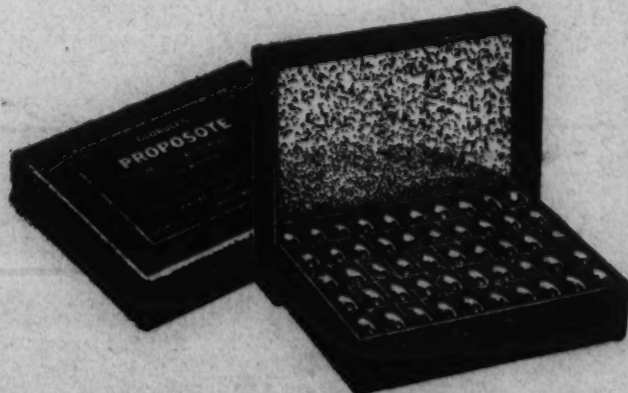
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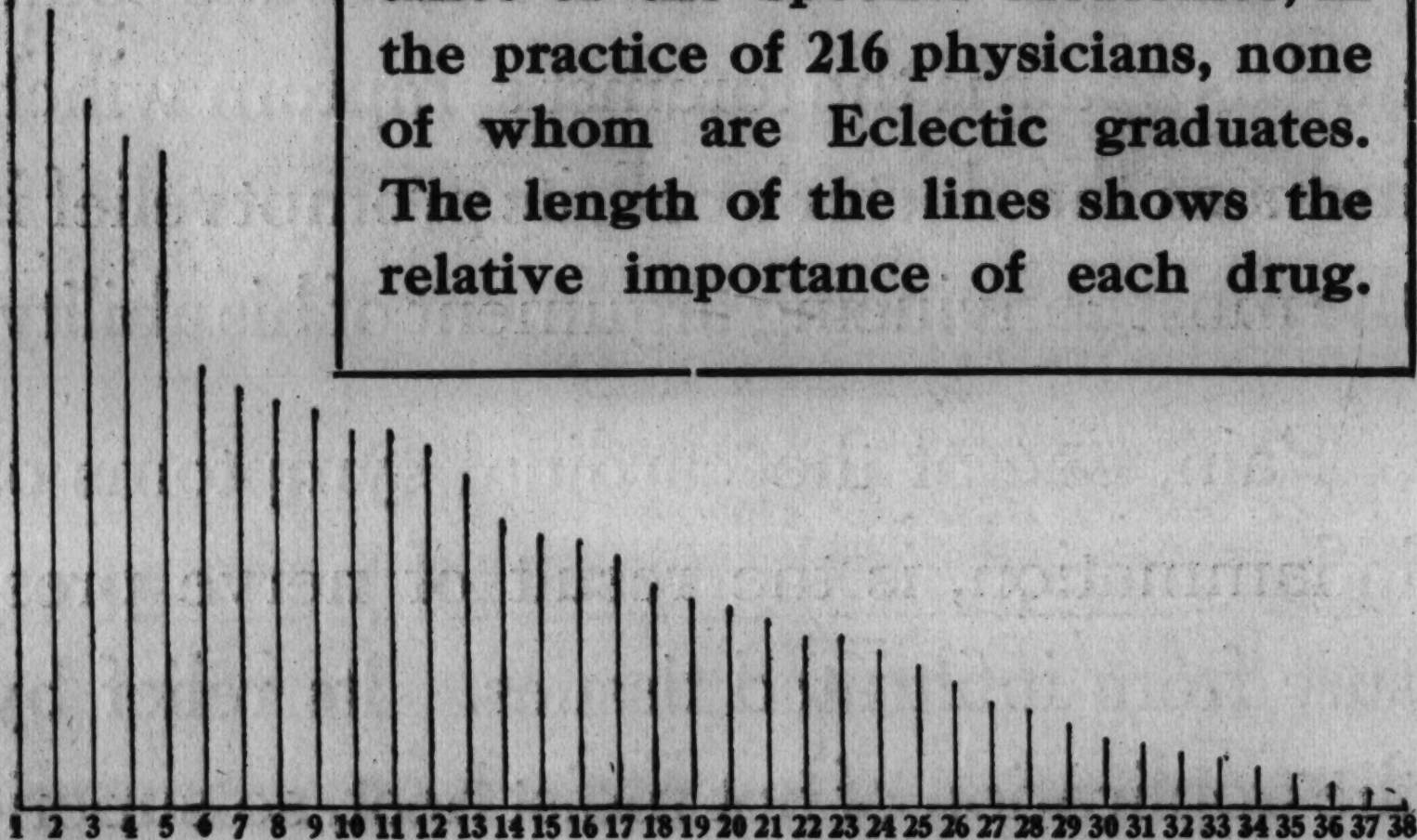
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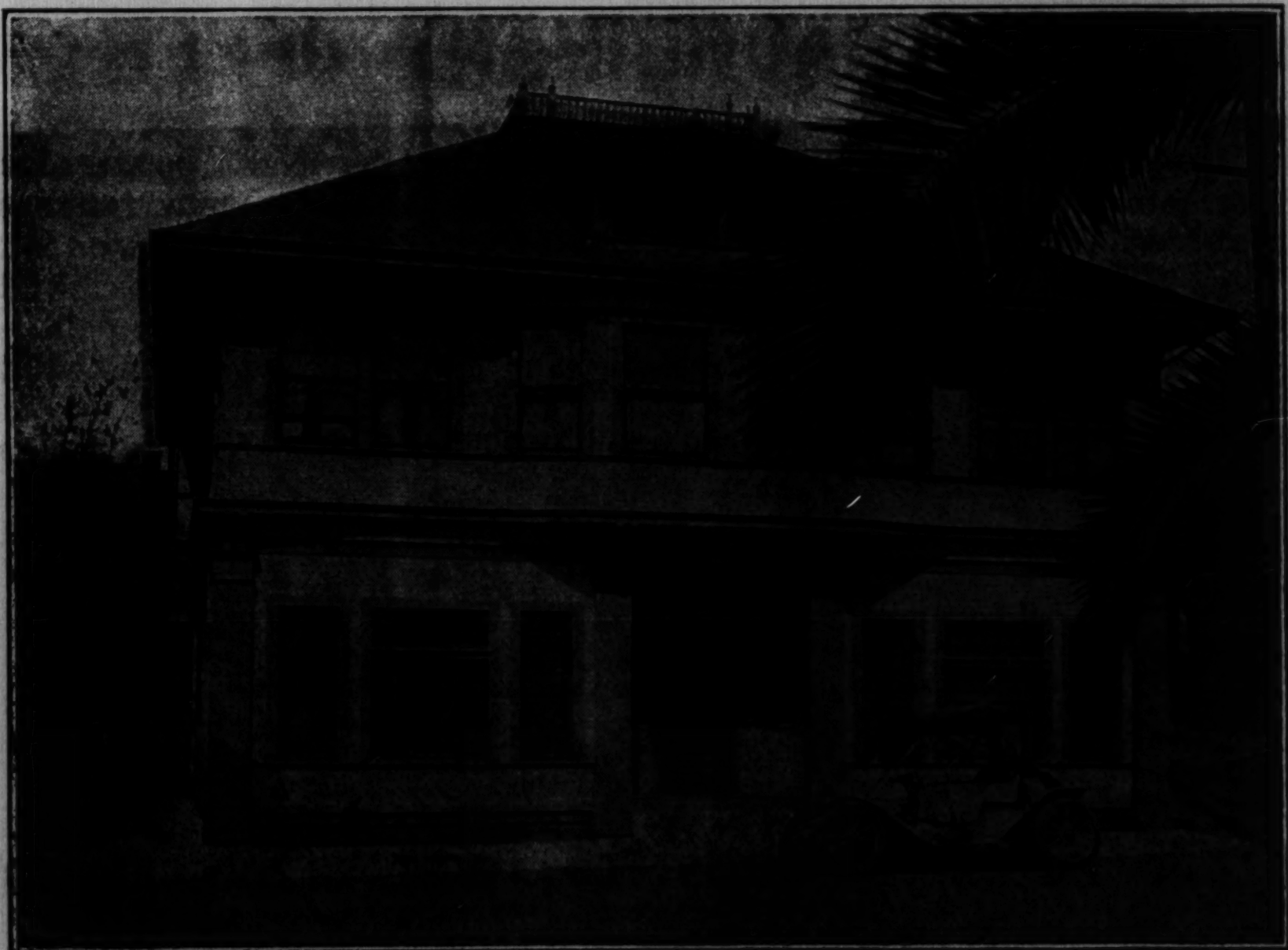
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Original Contributions

CARCINOMA OF THE ASCENDING COLON.

Dr. O. C. Welbourn, Los Angeles, Cal.

Read before the Los Angeles County Eclectic Medical Society.

Apparently cancerous diseases are on the increase. We used the word apparently advisedly for it may be that the increased number of cases reported, in proportion to other diseases, is a direct result of our present day diagnostic acumen.

Anyway, the profession is studying cancerous diseases more carefully than ever before and their noisy cerebrations have increased the terror of the laity even though that seemed impossible to do.

But notwithstanding all this scientific research the cause of cancer remains unknown. About all we do know of its etiology is that it belongs to the degenerative period of life, and that it frequently appears at the site of a previous local irritation.

It seems probable that a few patients have recovered spontaneously, and undoubtedly many patients have been cured by complete extirpation. It is our personal belief that every case is both local and circumscribed in its early stage and that every such patient can be cured if the diseased structure is totally removed at that time. Unfortunately in some patients the disease is so located that it seems impossible to remove it even at the very earliest stage of its existence. However, the art of surgery is improving and we now successfully carry a patient through an operation which a decade ago would have been considered to be impossible. And the particular part which I have in mind this evening is the ascending colon. Not very long ago President Harper, of Chicago University, died from this disease, and quite recently President Harriman of the Southern Pacific also fell a victim; and therefore we may assume that carcinoma is not rarely found in this location.

More than one year ago we operated on a man of fifty years of age who had recently had an operation for floating kidney. He stated that the tumor which was assumed to be a floating

kidney and for which he had the operation performed was in no wise altered by the operation. Palpation revealed a mass in the right lumbar region moveable slightly in conjunction with the colon. After careful preparation the abdomen was opened and the diagnosis of carcinoma was immediately evident and confirmed by all of those present. There was a large mass and many adhesions which bespoke a long and difficult operation with an unfavorable prognosis both as to immediate recovery and final termination. However, the patient fully realized that death awaited him without an operation and was anxious to make a fight for his life. Knowing these facts we did a very radical operation, excising all the ascending colon, about four inches of the transverse colon, and a like amount of the ileum. The severed ends of the ileum and colon were inverted and a lateral anastomosis was done by means of a Murphy button. A drain was put in place and the incision partially closed. The patient had a very stormy convalescence but was out of the hospital at the end of four weeks, and apparently well except for a small intermittent fecal fistula. Because of the probable recurrence of the disease, no particular attention was paid to the fistula until one year had passed. But at that time, as he appeared to be in good health, we advised him it was worth his while to have it closed. After proper preparation the fistulous tract was excised and the opening in the intestine closed. In all other respects the anastomosis was found in a satisfactory condition. And as there was no visible or palpable evidence of a recurrence of the disease we feel safe in reporting the case as probably cured.

MASTITIS.

Rosa B. Gates, Waco, Texas.

Read before the Texas Eclectic Medical Association.

Inflammation of the mammary gland known as mastitis generally occurs during the first month of lactation, usually during the first week of the lying-in-period.

The congestion attendant upon the secretion of milk aids in this inflammatory condition.

Wound infection is a prolific source of this trouble especially from fissured nipples and for that reason, even during pregnancy as well as during lactation they should receive the most careful attention.

Prevention of disease as far as lies within his power is the aim of every physician and particularly is this true in this trouble of the female breast.

If on the slightest appearance of engorgement of the mammary gland or vessels we apply a bandage of some thin material

in order to elevate the gland as much as is compatible with comfort to prevent the excessive filling of the vessels thereby escaping an inflammation.

The bandage should be pinned snugly from below upward, removing and replacing according to the needs of the child.

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While this healing process is in progress a nipple shield is almost indispensable in promoting rapid recovery.

JOSEPH RHODES BUCHANAN.

Dr. O. S. Laws, Los Angeles.

A few words concerning this grand man and his work, will be of interest, no doubt, to every Eclectic. It was my good fortune to know him fairly well for several years. He was the Dean and Professor of Physiology in the E. M. Institute in Cincinnati, Ohio, for several years, extending to 1855 or longer.

He was brim full of the spirit of progress, and did his best to expand the cause of Eclecticism.

He was a fine looking, dignified, man. But, although reserved in manner, his countenance beamed with benevolence. His heart was fired with the idea of sending out as many Eclectic doctors as possible, to counteract the barbarous methods of what he called "hunkerism" in the medical profession. As a lecturer he was fluent, entertaining and instructive. In 1849 he began to publish "Buchanan's Journal of Man."

To many of us this was full of interesting matter, but most people looked upon it as "Something born out of due time." It showed an originality of thought and investigation clear ahead of that time, and still continues, for these astounding facts concerning the brain and nervous system, seem to remain as Dr. Buchanan left them.

Anthropology was the term he used to express the study of man. Such minor terms as Neurology, Sarcognomy, Psychometry, Nedvaura and the new phrenology, abound in the Jour-

nal of Man, and nowhere else. Thus he opened up a new field, full of wonders to those who chose to enter it.

I did not make a complete study of the field, but so far as I went I was satisfied with the correctness of his theories by practical tests.

There seems to be no commercial value in that line of research, so our investigations are chiefly absorbed in the microbe and serum business, because of the golden harvest.

Under the head of Psychometry, Dr. Buchanan brings out a fact that every doctor should know, that some people are so sensitive that they can taste metals and various things held in their hand.

I have found persons who could readily tell what was in a paper folded up and tightly grasped in the hand, such as salt, sugar, pepper and describe the effect of ipecac. I cannot do it, but I can taste strong soap when washing my throat with it.

Some are extremely sensitive, and others very little so, and graded all the way between. But the majority are not thus sensitive.

I think this explains the success of Homeopathy on the first class, and its failure on the other. What would be the proper dose for one of the first class would have no effect on one of the second. Here is a field worthy of research, so that a doctor can quickly tell which class his patient is in, and another high or low in the scale.

Under the head of the new Phrenology, the Professor proved to our satisfaction that different portions of the brain perform different offices as claimed by Gall and others, but far more numerous and complicated.

A clear development of Buchanan's discoveries in this field would give us the power to trace the cause of insanity and how to cure it, in many cases.

Nervaura is the name he gave to the nervous field that runs the human machinery. Dr. A. Paige, of Boston, taught that said fluid is common electricity used by the heart and brain, yet right in the face of these facts, up bobs one Andrew McConnell of Chicago, and claims to have recently discovered "Human Electricity" and is making money out of it, and much ado about it. Honor to whom honor is due.

I never have met another man that seemed to live so far out of my reach, and yet he treated me with great kindness and condescension. He seemed to have no thought of wealth or fame, but was intensely earnest in his efforts to open up the hidden mysteries of man, in body, soul and spirit.

I lost track of him after he left Cincinnati, and that ends my memory sketch. Perhaps someone will tell us of his later career, which I would be glad to know.

MAN'S RELATION TO THE EARTH.**M. S. Aisbitt, M. D., Los Angeles.**

Read before the Southern California Eclectic Medical Society.

Much has been said about the earth as to its coming and going, but little has been said about its physiology. There are less than one hundred elements that go to construct the earth. There are less than a dozen members. The earth sends out these active agents to produce everything we see, hear and feel. They are constantly acting accordantly with each other, producing and reproducing according to the law of metabolism. These elements of the earth produce all life, both vegetable and animal, in accordance with physiological law. After entering the animal and vegetable bodies for a definite period they are returned to the earth to be reinforced to enter other bodies.

This process is perpetual.

Nothing could exist without the action of these elements. They are compounded and computed in accordance with histological and to meet the law of proliferation, they must be naturally computed to produce healthy life. The earth is the mother of all things, so man must be a child of the same. The earth furnishes the material and, fortunately, the law to bring him into life. She likewise produces food for his sustenance while in the physical life and at the end of his physical existence receives his septic body into her fold to be disintegrated. She endows man with reasons so he can reason from cause to effect and acquire knowledge of her physical laws, but Lo! he has substituted laws for himself by which he pays the penalties for their transgression. Man is ignorant of nature's laws governing proliferation in that he acts heterogenously in selecting a partner to a marriage that would give him a healthy progeny. Man should be taught that the mind of the sexes has no influence over conception. The mind cannot create it neither can it prevent it. The sexes are the instruments by which their organs elaborates the material through their organism, into the cells that are designed to be united to form a new being. These parts of the physical organs act independently of mental function, whether the new born comes into physical life physiologically or pathologically will depend on the compatibility or incompatibility of their temperament to the marriage.

How are the temperaments to be distinguished that would produce a healthy progeny?

The face is the index to the character or characters that would reproduce healthy children in all cases of marriage. If physiology is scientifically understood there is something wrong

and the party or parties that took the people away from the path that nature constructed should be held responsible. There are no microbes in the pathological child that comes into physical life with an impaired organism. The cause is a diversion of the law. The problem belongs to the medical profession. It should be studied and put into practice.

Genesiology:—The law of the temperaments is the basis out of which evolves the principles of reproduction. The temperaments are divided into four primary classes, bilious, sanguine, encephalic and lymphatic. The sanguine and bilious are the vital temperaments and the lymphatic and encephalic are the adjunctives. The male and female cells (ovule and spermatic) are the elements which have to be duly proportionate in order to have healthy progeny. If you construct a building with disproportionate material the structure will be poorly constructed, consequently will not last as long as it should if the material had been properly proportioned. So it is with the animal body. Life will be limited according to the transgression of the law. I will try and show you how to comply with the law in order to produce a normal child and show you the results when the law is transgressed.

First—The marriage of a person to another of the same temperament will be physiologically incestuous, and there will be no issue.

Second—When an adjunctive temperament enters in the constitution of both progenitors or parties to a marriage it will be incestuous.

These two laws are sufficient to enable those who understand the temperaments to distinguish accurately all incestuous parties. Nevertheless I will cite a case or two that will illustrate both of them.

When both of the parties to a marriage have the sanguine encephalic temperament their children will die young of dropsy of the brain, or of tubercular inflammation of its membranes.

Second—When both of the parties to a marriage have the bilious encephalic temperament their children will be idiotic.

Third—When both the parties to a marriage have the bilious, encephalic lymphatic temperament their children in proportion of five to seven or nine to eleven will be born dead and the others will not live two years respectively. These three cases illustrate both laws.

I will now illustrate the second law exclusively.

When one party is bilious lymphatic and the other is sanguine bilious encephalic their children will all die young of tubercular consumption of the lungs or abdominal glands al-



though neither of these forms of disease was ever in the ancestry of either party.

If one party be sanguine encephalic and the other bilious lymphatic the progeny will die young of tuberculous forms of disease.

If one party be bilious encephalic and the other sanguine encephalic bilious lymphatic the children will sooner or later become insane.

In the three preceeding illustrations the temperaments of the parties respectively are greatly different yet, as in each case both parties partake constitutionally of an adjunctive temperament all marriages are respectively incestuous.

In all marriages with a view to or expectation of progeny one party should have an exclusively vital temperament and then it is best that the other party should be more or less adjunctive.

Illustration—One party sanguine the other bilious encephalic or bilious encephalic lymphatic.

Second—One party bilious and the other sanguine encephalic or lymphatic or sanguine encephalic lymphatic.

Third—One party sanguine bilious and the other sanguine lymphatic or bilious lymphatic, sanguine or bilious encephalic or bilio-encephalic lymphatic. These are all good marriages.

CANCER AND ITS TREATMENT.

By H. T. Webster, M. D., Oakland, Cal.

The fathers of Eclectic medicine believed that cancer was curable by therapeutic means. Later, the treatment of cancer by such methods became emperical, and passed into the hands of ignorant quacks. Eclectic teachers lost sight of the virtues contained in our indigeneous remedies in this direction, and fell in with the idea of the dominant school that internal remedies possessed no virtue in the treatment of the disease, and for years students went forth from college firm in the belief that surgery offered the only hope. Then came years of disillusion, in which they were to learn that cancer, removed by the knife, was almost certain to reappear in worse form than before.

During my student days I was engrafted with the idea that cancer was incurable. I believed it and taught it. I observed warts removed by them at high prices; saw them fatten on the credulity of the public, and saw many cases of cancer die under their administration. But such was the horror of the knife by many sufferers and their readiness to grasp at straws, that such

pretenders always reaped a rich harvest. Probably they met with as good if not better success than the highly educated surgeon.

But the time came when I became convinced that cancer could be cured. I know that I have cured it in more instances than one; yes, in several instances. I also became convinced that I could cure many cases of incipient cancer of the breast with specific hydrastic and conium. I knew this because I had accomplished it in several instances. I have cured numerous cases of undoubted malignant growth by the use of concentrated sunlight.

Dr. Eli G. Jones, however, has led us into a new realm of specific medication. All intelligent Eclectics of the present day know the specific influence of phytolacca in mastitis. They realize that this remedy exerts a specific influence on the breast. They know that an affinity exists between this remedy and the tissue of the organ which makes for repair when acute disease exists there. They ought to know, and many of them do, that the same proposition applies to hydrastis and conium. But they have not realized fully, that this same influence counts in malignant, as well as in simple, acute conditions. Dr. Jones reminds us, in his new work on cancer, of these facts. He has taught us something new in specific medication.

Phytolacca is a favorite remedy with Dr. Jones in the treatment of cancer of the breast. He employs it both locally and internally, and assisted by other remedies, he succeeds in curing bad cases, acknowledged by the highest allopathic authority to be genuine cancer and given up as hopeless. Surely this is not quackery! It is the highest development of therapeutic skill. Dr. Jones offers us no specific for cancer. He follows the maxim of the leader in specific medicine:—that there are no specifics for diseases, so named, but that there are specifics for conditions. Because phytolacca exerts a specific influence on the breast in cancer is no reason that it does this in cancer of the stomach. A remedy for cancer of one part is not necessarily a remedy for cancer in another part. We must take into consideration tissue affinities and specific indications if we are to treat cancer scientifically and successfully. The trouble with us all has been that we have been looking for a specific for cancer, when our teaching of specific medication ought to have taught us that to treat it scientifically we must treat it after the doctrine of specific medication. Many of us have thought ourselves very proficient in specific medication; and yet, the only one among us who has been following this line successfully in the treatment of cancer has been Dr. Jones.

This work opens up to us a new vista in specific medication. The writer believes that cancer is not a local disease, and that proper constitutional treatment must accompany local measures if success is to follow treatment. That success does follow treatment in Dr. Jones' hands is known and acknowledged widely. He has demonstrated his ability so well that his fame extends far from his own home and state. He is looked up to, not by Eclectics merely, but many physicians of other schools have been glad to sit at his feet and receive instruction from him. Through his efforts this is one of the greatest triumphs that Eclectic medicine has ever scored.

What Dr. Jones has done we all may do, by following his line of treatment. His plan is hedged in by no secret formula, nor difficult process. It is all simple, yet purely scientific. He offers us very clear and explicit directions and indications for treatment, and shows us by results that it is as successful as any other treatment for difficult chronic states.

The time has come, and ought to have come long ago, if we, as Eclectic physicians, had been progressive enough, when we can feel that no odium is attached to any physician who makes a specialty of the cure of cancer. It is true that we may not be able to cure every case, for many will have progressed too far before reaching competent hands; but we may say as much of many other chronic cases which we attempt almost every day; and no class of cases offers greater remuneration financially, or reward of gratitude from sufferers relieved from fear of imminent death.

It appears to me, that cancer homes, or private hospitals devoted to such cases, should be established by those who have this class of patients to treat. Every case requires special treatment, and to succeed, one ought to devote his entire attention to them. The treatment is not a routine treatment. It requires special skill and adaptation on the part of the practitioner, and every case would be a special case, which should be entrusted to the physician alone. An institution of this kind ought to be established in every city in the Union; and a large clientele would undoubtedly be established when results became well known.

My advice to those who feel inclined to take up this specialty is, to get well acquainted with Dr. Jones' work on Cancer. In fact every Eclectic in the world ought to have it in his library. It is something unique, something priceless, something indispensable to every practitioner who wishes to be in the line of progress.

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MEDICAL ARTICLES.

Generally speaking medical literature is intended to be instructive. This object is certainly an ambitious one, but the writer often fails because he does not command the attention of his readers. A medical article to be useful must be read by those who are interested in the line of work which is under the consideration of the writer. Some articles are practical, others theoretical. Some are read by men in active general practice, others by men engaged in laboratory work and who hope thereby to advance the science of medicine. One such class of medical men is not deeply interested in the work of the other and usually underrates its value. This being true, the writings of each are mutually ignored. All of which is as it should be and neither party should feel hurt or aggrieved.

So far as this journal is concerned we endeavor to print in each issue, one good article which we think will be appreciated by each of our several classes of readers, and if the individual reader should find more than this he should congratulate himself, for he is getting more than the worth of his money. We have the honor of printing the articles of our various societies and the monthly selection is made with these ideas in view;

and it often happens that articles which we personally consider very interesting, are held over for nearly a whole year.

However, with the coming of the New Year, with its brave resolutions, we hope to make some changes which we are sure will be of advantage to nearly all of us. And one of these is to publish more short articles. Little articles of a page or less, which contain a single idea regarding the use of a new remedy, or what is of a greater importance, the new use of an old remedy. Again, the report of an unusual case is interesting and it adds another item to our fund of knowledge.

May we hope that the reader will take this request seriously, and do his part to help the circle? Please remember that our writers and readers are one body and that all of the articles are just as good or bad as we make them. If you don't like an article write a better one at once.

The Journal wishes you a Happy New Year!

THE OTHER FELLOW.

To condemn another without ample proof is reactionary. To condemn one by circumstantial evidence is cowardly. Even to condemn another with proof, unless by one in authority, is a matter of law and delegated to a tribunal of justice and is no other person's concern. There is so much evidence against the accused that may be false, that it is best to withhold judgment, as no man can live above reproach. Circumstantial evidence should be passed upon only by a technical mind. He who assumes to be judge and jury may some day be called upon to defend his own acts before a like tribunal. If the evidence is positive, does it not follow that he who has far wandered from the beaten path of duty needs no accuser? He needs your sympathy, not condemnation. Is it not possible that we too under like conditions might have fallen as did he? Too frequently we give the other fellow no consideration, being too ambitious to secure for ourselves a standing, reputation or wealth, and ride rough shod over his rights.

It is no uncommon condition that we find physicians only too willing to take for a target the mistakes and irregularities of their brethren. It is with "devilish glee" they gloat over the downfall of another. It is an easy matter to keep still, look wise, nod the head or shrug the shoulders, when the physician previously in attendance has been doubted by the family and thus create a greater doubt in their minds. This is worse than a dastardly deed of the highwayman who has evident malice of forethought. Instead of expressing doubt as to the contents of a certain remedy left and expressing the belief that the attending physician would no doubt change the medicine

this time, step to the door and throw it out without comment, thus indicating that it was the wrong thing, is no more than robbery. The public is only too anxious to pass judgment on Dr. B. because Dr. A. said so and so. If a scandal is circulated by Dr. A., Dr. B. does nothing to quell it, but even aids in the villainous attack. Dr. B. knows where to go as a rule to assist in his vile work and has a representative at the sewing society, who brings about the attack. Finally the long-bearded, bald-headed fossil of ultra-religious propensities gives sanction to it all and instead of helping to quell the furor of the storm simply aids it on by his gravity and draws his priestly garments a little closer and passes on the other side.

With this impetus we imagine perdition fairly sizzles in anticipation of its victim. None but a physician knows what this really means. Let some scandal be started about a physician and see how the "old timers" get busy.

So much can be said that only the physician knows that it is useless to go farther. Where will we find the remedy for these wrongs? In a close organization? No, that will not do, for the culprit wears the cloak of a reformer there. In courts of justice? No, for this will never settle any question or relieve the distressed. In the church? No, for this organization is often as prone to turn the cold shoulder to the condemned as the world. It is a sad fact to relate, but true, that some of the men in high places spend but little time with a man that has been accused of a wrong. Afraid of getting his hands soiled. Where then shall we go? The remedy at last is with the individual, but he who can live down the odium must have "backbone" and of a good quality. He must first prove by his conduct he is not what he is accused of and then with the consciousness of being innocent the battle will be more easily won. He must not try to live better than the other fellow, but better than himself. Let him meet these false accusations with honesty and fairness, and he can turn what was apparent defeat into victory. But we, as fellow physicians, can help him more. We can help him live down this ignominy. If he has been in the wrong help him to get right, not push him over the brink. If he has a spark of manhood left, you can help him. Try it.

Ed. Nebraska Medical Outlook.

SOCIETY CALENDAR.

National Eclectic Medical Association meets in Louisville, Ky., June 20, 21, 22, 23, 1912. Dr. A. F. Stephens, St. Louis, President; W. P. Best, M. D., Indianapolis Ind., Secretary.

Eclectic Medical Society of the State of California meets in San Francisco, May, 1912. H. Vandre, M. D., San Francisco,

Cal., President; H. F. Scudder, M. D., Redlands, Cal., Secretary.

Southern California Eclectic Medical Association meets in Los Angeles on May 2, 1912. H. V. Brown, M. D., Los Angeles. President; Dr. W. J. Lawrence, Los Angeles, Secretary.

Los Angeles County Eclectic Medical Society meets at 8 p. m. on the first Tuesday of each month. J. F. Barbrick, M. D., Los Angeles, Cal., President; P. M. Welbourn, M. D., 818 Security Bldg., Los Angeles, Secretary.

LOS ANGELES ECLECTIC MEDICAL SOCIETY.

The regular meeting of the Los Angeles County Eclectic Medical Society was held on November 7th at the College.

Dr. James Beard was nominated and elected vice-president to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Dr. Davis.

A report was made concerning the illness of Dr. Perce.

The name of Dr. Oran Newton of Long Beach was presented and he was duly elected to membership.

Dr. O. C. Welbourn read a paper entitled "Carcinoma of the Ascending Colon," which was freely discussed by the different members.

Dr. J. A. Munk will read a paper at the next meeting on December 5th.

Adjournment.

J. F. BARBRICK, Pres.

P. M. WELBOURN, Sec.

A FEW WORDS FROM THE PRESIDENT.

Encouraging the spirit of harmony in the light of Eclecticism and urging the co-operation of all Eclectics in California and adjacent states.

As we look back to our last annual meeting with pleasant remembrances, we are now striving hard to make our next one more pleasant and interesting than ever. We will want you all present to help and assist us in the good cause—we need you and we will expect you and I know and feel that you will all be loyal. None will regret the pleasant visit, I assure you. There will not be a dull moment. Everything is being done for your entertainment, comfort and pleasure. We will feel better for having met and we will want to meet again.

The Light of Eclecticism in California.

Interest in the American practice of medicine is rapidly gaining ground and getting to be of vital importance to every intelligent American community and is proving to be of untold benefit (as results show) to those who are ill and afflicted. We are having increased demands for our graduates, therefore to

those contemplating the study of medicine and surgery I would say to you—choose the Eclectic school and become successful practitioners.

The opportunity was never better. From all our colleges comes the word that our graduates are more and more in demand. This speaks for the school and its teachings, with us it is quality not quantity that is most considered. This certainly should encourage more entrants to our colleges as they would be greatly rewarded for their labors and studies in Eclectic medicine and surgery. Our methods are both scientific and rational, based upon sound physiological conditions; analyze your symptoms and the remedies will suggest themselves to any educated Eclectic practitioner. This constitutes scientific medication, not prescribing at names only.

We get results with far greater and safer returns than is possible with any other known system of medicine at the present day. We never depress our patients, but always sustain the vital forces. A safer and kindlier treatment does not exist—the bacterines and serums notwithstanding. As an auxiliary in the treatment of surgical diseases it has been proved beyond a doubt that this method of treating diseased conditions gives far better results than the old routine method of prescribing."

You can compound your own medicines, the remedies are always physiological and responsive and it is elegant pharmacy itself. Thus it is the thoughtful and observing physician that is going to succeed, the one who does the most good with the least possible harm to his patients that is going to be the practitioner of the future. Always remember our cherished emblem, "Vires Vitales Sustentre."

We want the assistance of every Eclectic in the state of California and also the adjacent states for the good of the cause and our institution. Our cause is a noble one indeed and it will succeed because it has the American sentiment and push back of it.

H. VANDRE, M. D., President.

COLLEGE NOTES.

Herbert T. Cox.

On the evening of October 19, 1911, the Freshman class entertained the students, faculty and friends of the C. E. M. C. They had made most thorough preparation for the occasion and all the details were worked out and arranged so that everything moved off like clock work. The social was of the nature of a get-acquainted affair. The evening was started with some unique guessing games, which certainly made everybody meet

everybody else, and get acquainted. Prizes were offered for best and worst luck, and the incompatibility of the prize, and its winner was quite laughable in several instances.

Dancing was then indulged in, to the sweet strains of a Spanish orchestra, until a late hour. Delightful punch and wafers being served between hops. The decorations were quite beautiful, being in red, white and blue crepe paper, and green boughs. Over the refreshment table, the figures 1915 blazed out in small electric lights. All enjoyed themselves to their fullest extent, and went away feeling happy and as though they had gotten better acquainted with each other.

Mrs. H. R. Evans has been very ill at the Westlake Hospital for a short time, but is now on the fast road to recovery at home.

Prof. A. P. Baird has returned from an extended visit with relatives in Chicago, and has put in his appearance in the lecture room, which pleases the Juniors and Seniors very much.

Dr. Ovid Laws, who formerly held the chair of specific medication and diagnosis, paid the college a visit one day last month. The doctor had to cease lecturing on account of feeble health, but he looks much stronger than he did some time ago.

Prof. Clinton Roath has been indisposed, and has been spending some time on his ranch in the desert.

E. R. Petsky, formerly a student of Edinborough University, has joined the Senior class.

Diagnosis by Signs.

For the benefit of the professors in diagnosing students as well as clinics, the following is given:

Case No. 1. Stop a student on the street; arms filled with books, worried expression on face yet very determined; bold walk. Upon examination pockets are found to contain several bones, many colored drawings of cells in various phases, and green specimens of plants found between pages of books. Burns on hands showing contact with caustics. With above signs present, you may make a positive diagnosis of a Freshman.

Case No. 2. Observe a student with a languid walk; in a drowsy stupor or deep study incessantly. Follow him home and observe him. He tries bandaging the table legs, cat, etc. Also tampers with other animals, exhibiting a fondness for guinea pigs. Sterilizes every dish or piece of silverware before eating; very changeable as regards diet, changing from proteid to carbohydrates, and vice versa, etc. Always pinching fellow beings to see which reflexes act. Almost positive diagnosis of Sophomore may be made.

Case No. 3. Student with a wise, care-relieved expression. Quite a stately walk, but not so bold as the Freshman. He exhibits great mental activity when among common people. Speech characterized by many long and strange sounding words. Is generally seen with one book at a time, which is always an enormous volume. Protruding from vest pockets may be seen clinical thermometers, hypodermic case, pill vials, etc. Often seen carrying instrument bag or medicine case. Percusses and palpates empty boxes, rubber balls, bricks, as well as his fellow beings. Exhibits great affinity for hospitals, clinic rooms and drug stores. Can be diagnosed very readily as Junior, but may sometimes be hard to differentiate from Senior.

Case No. 4. You cannot help but observe this student because when present he appears very prominent. Has a self-knowing, dignified look. Very exact and positive in his expressions. Has a stately and independent gait to his walk. Seldom seen with note books on his person, but pockets are distended with quiz compends, and medical journals containing state board questions and answers. Very irregular in attendance at lectures, but always very busy. With above signs any ordinary professors can make an absolute diagnosis of Senior, after eliminating possibility of Junior.

NEWS ITEMS.

Dr. and Mrs. G. M. Dayton, Chattanooga, Tenn., are spending some time in Southern California. The trip was made on account of the health of Mrs. Dayton.

T. F. Benndorf, M. D., sends his check for renewal to the Journal, from Mexico.

Dr. O. C. Darling, Riverside, was in the city last month visiting the tax collector, and made the College a pleasant call and left his money for the coming year for the Journal.

Dr. L. A. Perce, Long Beach, has been quite ill and under the care of Drs. Harvey and Newton; also Dr. Welbourn of Los Angeles.

Dr. M. Blanche Bolton has been enjoying a well-earned vacation during October and November.

Miss Della Andreason graduated from the Westlake Hospital on November 15th, and will remain in the city.

Eclectic Med. College,
Los Angeles, Cal.

Dear Sirs:

The people of _____ and _____ desire a physician to locate here in the town of _____. This is a good location for anyone wishing a country mountain practice. It requires a

rather young man who can stand some hardships in making long drives in cold weather. It is a large field and A-1 pay. We have a physician here, but is not liked by anyone. He came here without a dollar and is loaning money now and well to do. Can you place me in touch with someone looking for such a location? By so doing you will confer a great favor.

Yours very truly,

Reply to letter:

Dear Sir:

Your letter asking that a good physician be sent to your town was duly received.

I am sorry that we are not able to send you a man. Eclectic physicians are very much in demand and all are established in lucrative positions, and do not want to make any change. The graduates of our college have locations selected before they receive their diplomas, and there are no spare men to fill emergency calls.

If you will send us a high school graduate to take a course in medicine, we will send him back to you in four years a competent physician. This seems to be the only way now open for acquiring the kind of a man you want. However, I will bear your request in mind and if I find a suitable man who is looking for a location, I will be glad to refer him to you.

Yours respectfully,

J. A. MUNK.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

Every Medical Practitioner attending on or called in to visit a patient whom he believes to be suffering from

Lead

Phosphorous

Arsenic

Mercury

} or their
Compounds

{ Contracted as the result
of the nature of the
patient's employment

or from

Anthrax, or

Compressor Air Illness

is required by Chapter 485 of the Laws of 1911, under penalty, to notify the case forthwith to the State Board of Health; and he is entitled to a fee of FIFTY CENTS for so doing.

The notice should state clearly:—

The name, address, and occupation of the patient;

The disease from which he or she is suffering;

The establishment at which he or she has been employed and in which it is believed the disease was contracted;

The name and address of the notifying practitioner;
The date of notification.

The notice should be addressed to the State Board of Health, Sacramento, California.

Forms for notification will be supplied on application, but their use is optional.

Doubt has been felt by some practitioners as to the circumstances in which recurring attacks in the same person require re-notification. If the affected person continues at work successive attacks, especially when distinct from those preceding, should each be notified.

The State Board of Health will appreciate any measures you may take to give this announcement publicity among the physicians of your district.

WILLIAM P. SNOW,
Sec. State Board of Health.

BOOK REVIEWS.

CANCER, ITS CAUSES, SYMPTOMS AND TREATMENT. Giving the Results of over Forty years' Experience in the Medical Treatment of this Disease. Eli G. Jones, M. D., author of "Definite Medication," "Rational Treatment of Cancer," etc. Published by Therapeutic Publishing Co., Inc., Boston, Mass., 1911. 300 pages; price \$10.00.

This work deals with Cancer only from the medical standpoint, and to those who prefer this line of treatment there will be many points of interest. Over 75 remedies for the medicinal treatment of Cancer are described and their indications recorded. Many cases which have come under the author's observation are described with the treatment applied in each case given minutely.

The book is a large octavo volume of 300 pages, printed on heavy paper in an extremely readable type, and substantially bound in a durable binding.

PRACTICAL SURGERY, Diagnostic, Therapeutic and Operative. By B. Roswell Hubbard, M. D., Professor of Surgery in California Eclectic Medical College of Los Angeles; Member of the State and National Eclectic Medical Societies, etc., etc., with numerous illustrations. 1300 pages. Bound in Cloth. Published by the Segnogram Press, Los Angeles, Cal., 1911. Price \$6.00.

We are pleased to announce that this book by Dr. Hubbard is completed and now being distributed. The work is very complete, there being chapters devoted to the Acute and Chronic Infectious Diseases; Hemorrhage; Shock; Surgical Technic; Lesions of the Blood Vessels; Lesions of the Eye and

Ear, etc., etc. Much stress has been laid on the medical treatment, which is rather an unusual feature in a work devoted to Surgery, but of no less importance. The work is true to title and is really a "Practical Surgery," and as such we are pleased to recommend it to students and practitioners.

The typographical part has been well taken care of, as shown in the durable binding, the excellent type and good paper. The volume is large, but not unwieldy.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

PRACTICAL SURGERY, by Roswell Hubbard, M. D., Professor of Surgery in the California Eclectic Medical College, Los Angeles, Cal., Member of the State and National Eclectic Medical Associations. Ready for delivery. Octavo of about 1300 pages, with numerous illustrations, some original and others selected from various sources with a view to making plain the subject matter. Neatly bound in cloth, \$6.00. The Segnogram Press, 600-603 Ferguson Bldg., Los Angeles, Cal.

Note.—It was the author's intention, at first, to publish a volume of about eight hundred and fifty pages that would sell for five dollars, but the addition of about four hundred pages to the work, making a thirteen hundred page book, is now offered the profession that will be sold at six dollars, postage paid to any part of the United States.

The extra subject matter added makes the book invaluable to both student and practitioner.

THE AUTHOR.

Battle & Co. of St. Louis have just issued No. 17 of their series of charts on dislocations. This series forms a most valuable and interesting addition to any physician's library. They will be sent free of charge on application, and back numbers will also be supplied. If you have missed any of these numbers, better write Battle & Co. for them before the supply is exhausted.

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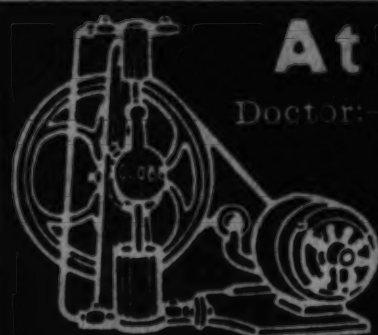
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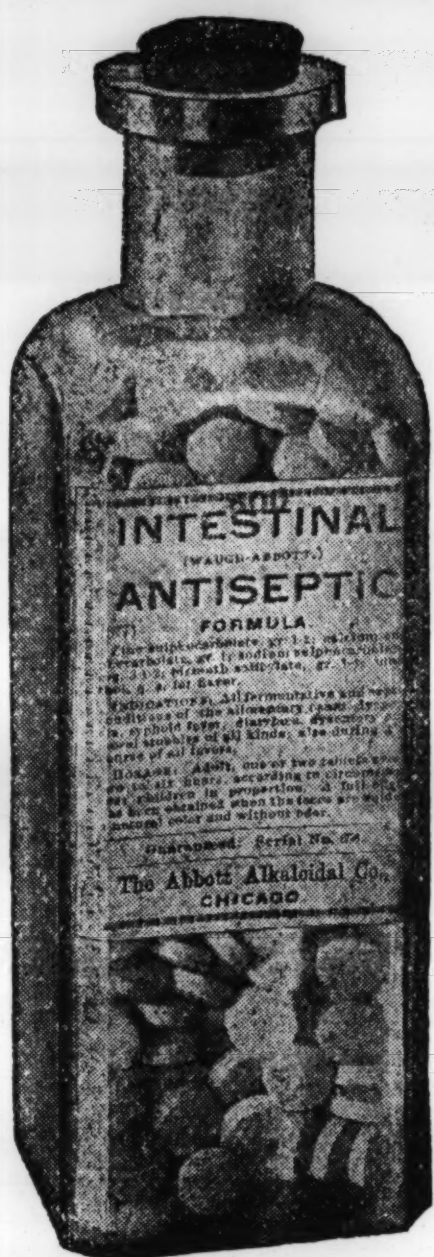
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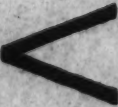
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